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Minister of Foreign & Expatriates Affairs

We have been informed that there exist certain attempts by Arab and GCC ambassadors and diplomats to convince their acquaintances in the leadership of the Arab Socialist Baath Party, active and retired military officers to defect from the regime; to move to reside with their families in the GCC capitals and to provide certain privileges to them on the pretext that the rule of Bashar Al Assad is, according to them, doomed.

Certain Arab and European capitals are also attempting to influence Syrian ambassadors, consuls and diplomatic attachés to defect and seek asylum there, as they attempt to elude them that the regime in Syria is falling and there are huge defections among the army by those siding with the so-called Syrian revolution.

Kindly peruse and take necessary action towards these suspicious moves.

Prime Minister

Dr Adel Safar

(Signed)

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